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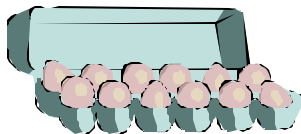
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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Prices were mostly lower to occasionally unchanged throughout the country. The market tone was steady to barely steady. Demand ranged slow to no better than moderate, best for the occasional retail feature. Supplies of all sizes were at least adequate to available. Breaking stock offerings were adequate to fully adequate, and demand for additional product was generally fair as dealers monitored market developments closely. Light type fowl were fully adequate for normal schedules.

NORTH ATLANTIC In Philadelphia, prices were unchanged to .5 cents lower on the larger sizes and unchanged to 2 cents lower for mediums; in Boston, prices were unchanged to 1 cent lower on large and medium and unchanged for extra large, when based on previous week average prices. In New England, prices were unchanged. The market tone was steady to barely steady. Demand was light to usually moderate. Supplies of all sizes ranged adequate to available. Breaking stock offerings were adequate for the light demand. Light type hens were fully adequate for current needs.

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged. The market tone was about steady. Demand was light to mostly moderate with traders watching further market developments. Supplies were adequate to available on all sizes.

MIDWEST Prices in Detroit and major Ohio and Wisconsin cities were lower for all sizes. Prices to producers in Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to barely steady. Retail demand was slow to fair, best into scattered feature activity. Food service movement was mostly moderate. Supplies were available for all sizes. Nest run breaking stock prices were 1 cent lower for heavy nest runs. Offerings of the heavy weight product were adequate and the lighter weights were adequate to mostly fully adequate. Demand was usually only fair as breakers watch current market conditions. Floors stocks were in balance to adequate. Trade sentiment steady to barely steady.

SOUTHERN In Atlanta, prices were lower. In Florida, prices were unchanged on the larger sizes, but lower on mediums and smalls. Elsewhere, prices were unchanged. The market tone was about steady to barely steady. Retail demand was generally fair entering the week. Supplies of all sizes were at least adequate to available. The average price on Grade A or better white cartoned large eggs delivered to volume buyers in the Southern Region for the week ending June 23, 2000, was 63.77 cents, 1.26 cents less than last week, but 15.53 cents more than the same week last year. Breaking stock supplies were adequate with most dealers working from regular commitments, and demand for additional product was light. Light type fowl were fully adequate for normal schedules.

WESTERN Prices in California 6 cents lower on all sizes; in the Northwest 4 cents lower on jumbo, extra large, and large, 8 cents lower on medium. The Pacific region inventory was 12% higher than last Monday with California up 12% and Oregon-Washington-Utah up 12%. Retailer demand light. Offerings ample.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST CITIES			
Boston (Brown)	98-100	89-91	62-64
New York	67-69	64-67	49-52
Philadelphia	65-67.5	63-65.5	48-50
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	58-59	56.5-58	41-42
Jackson (1)	68-69	65-66	50-51
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	73-78	62-76	45-59
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	54-59	53-58	37-42
Detroit (2)	51-54	50-53	33-36
Major Ohio Cities (2)	52-58.5	51-57	34-40
Major Wisconsin Cities	55-62	53-60	37-44
WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	74-76	69-71	53-55
California(Grade AA)(1)(3)	91	84	65

(1) - Prices reported weekly
(2) - Delivered Warehouse
(3) - Reported Invoice prices

CALIFORNIA Prices 6 cents lower on all sizes. The California inventory was 12% higher than last Monday. Retailer demand slow. Offerings plentiful. Small invoice price 45. Ads in Northern California: major- large 18 pack buy 1 get 1 free. PRICES INVOICE, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE		RANGE
JUMBO	107	JUMBO	229-259
EXTRA LARGE	91	EXTRA LARGE	209-239
LARGE	84	LARGE	189-239
MEDIUM	65	MEDIUM	149-189
PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.			
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA		NORTHERN CALIFORNIA	
	RANGE		RANGE
JUMBO	229-289	JUMBO	229-259
EXTRA LARGE	219-279	EXTRA LARGE	209-239
LARGE	199-219	LARGE	189-239
MEDIUM	187-199	MEDIUM	149-189

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending June 30, 2000 will increase by 7 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending June 23, 2000 were 253,393 cases which was 4 percent above the prior week and 2 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	211,338	42,055	253,393

% change from the prior week.....	-0	+30	+4

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 17 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Prices were unchanged to 1 cent lower for heavy nest runs with checks and undergrades unchanged. Offerings of heavy nest runs were adequate with lighter weights adequate to mostly fully adequate. Demand was usually only fair as breakers eye current market developments. Floor stocks balanced to adequate. Trade sentiment steady to barely steady.

PRICES PAID TO 11:00 A.M., MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	29-34	32-34
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	16-19	

CENTRAL STATES AREA:

AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, WI

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading levels were lower compared to the past week. Demand was light for fully adequate offerings of spent heavy hens. Finished sales were slow with production schedules ample for needs. Trade sentiment was no better than steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 26-JUN-00

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	5.25-13.5	6-7.25	7.74

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged to sharply lower when compared to a week earlier. Demand was light and unaggressive for fully adequate to ample offerings. Processing schedules were about normal for next week. The market tone was barely steady to mostly weak.

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FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 26-JUN-00

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	3.5-14.5	4.5-8.25	6.86

AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING TOO FEW TO REPORT
FOB PLANT TOO FEW TO REPORT

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM June 26, 2000

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

			NO	SO	SO	5-Area	
	Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	5.0	13.1	6.1	10.7	9.2	44.1
	Change	-0.7	-0.2	0.2	-1.4	-0.8	-6%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	22.7	44.3	11.8	27.1	21.8	127.7
	Change	0.6	9.6	0.9	1.2	0.4	11%
Large	Curr Wk	35.5	91.0	47.7	67.6	105.0	346.8
	Change	5.3	25.5	2.3	-3.2	23.0	18%
Medium	Curr Wk	13.2	26.8	19.7	22.9	32.3	114.9
	Change	0.2	-6.3	-0.9	-2.0	1.8	-6%
Small	Curr Wk	4.2	7.0	3.1	8.6	3.5	26.4
	Change	0.2	1.8	-0.4	1.8	0.0	15%
Misc	Curr Wk	5.1	17.8	6.4	15.4	6.8	51.5
	Change	0.4	3.2	-2.1	5.1	-0.6	13%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	18.7	42.5	14.7	27.3	37.0	140.2
	Change	2.1	3.7	3.3	6.6	-0.6	12%
Total	Curr Wk	104.4	242.5	109.5	179.6	215.6	851.6
Percent	Change	8%	18%	3%	5%	12%	10%
TOTAL		Number of Cases		Percent Change		Number of Cooperators	

Shell Egg	851.6	10%	170
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	392.9	1%	39

Total Shell Egg	1244.5	7%	209
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1/Information is supplied by a universe of 170 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

CANADIAN EGGS MONTREAL: WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE TO RETAILERS (CANADIAN CENTS) GRADED IN CARTONS, AS REPORTED BY CANADA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 12, 2000

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	165	161.9	152.9	109.9

MINIMUM PRODUCER PRICES FOB FARM FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING JUNE 12, 2000 AS ESTABLISHED BY ONTARIO EGG AND FOWL PRODUCERS MARKETING BOARD.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	129	129	119	77

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — DAILY WTD AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JUNE 23, 2000**CURRENT LOADS** 18.50**FUTURE LOADS** 11.25**TOTAL LOADS** 29.75

		SE		NE		MW		LOADS	SC		NW		SW	LOADS
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	—	—	43.25	44.50	—	—	4.00		GNR W 1	40.00	42.00	—	—	4.00
GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00		GNR W 3	—	39.50	—	—	1.00
GNR W 3	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00		GL W XL	—	—	—	—	.50
GL W XL	42.75	43.75	—	—	—	—	5.25		GL W LG	42.50	47.33	—	—	5.00
GL W LG	—	—	43.50	45.50	—	—	5.50		GL W MD	—	31.00	—	—	1.50
GL W MD	—	—	30.00	31.00	28.00	29.00	2.00							
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	29.75	31.00	3.00							
NRBS - 42	—	38.00	—	—	—	—	1.00							

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT - MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 06/17/00-06/23/00**CURRENT LOADS** 92.50**FUTURE LOADS** 35.25**TOTAL LOADS**

		SE		NE		MW		LOADS	SC		NW		SW	LOADS
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	40.50	—	43.00	43.90	42.00	—	15.00		GNR W 1	40.00	42.00	—	—	4.00
GNR W 2	—	—	—	42.00	39.00	—	6.00		GNR W 3	—	39.50	—	—	1.00
GNR W 3	—	—	27.00	28.00	32.08	33.67	5.00		GNR BR 1	45.00	47.00	—	—	1.00
GNR W 4	—	—	30.25	31.75	25.75	27.75	4.00		GL W J	—	—	—	—	69.00
GNR BR 1	—	—	42.00	43.00	—	—	1.00		GL W XL	50.00	51.50	—	—	11.75
GL W J	—	—	—	—	55.75	57.00	2.00		GL W LG	42.50	47.33	—	—	11.75
GL W XL	42.75	47.90	—	47.25	39.48	—	21.00		GL W MD	24.40	31.00	—	28.50	6.50
GL W LG	—	51.00	46.17	46.60	38.09	—	22.75		GL W SM	22.00	—	—	—	1.00
GL W MD	—	—	28.00	31.00	26.38	27.56	12.00		GL BR LG	40.00	—	—	—	.50
GL W SM	—	—	23.00	24.50	27.00	29.00	2.00		NRBS - 48	30.00	—	—	—	1.00
GL BR LG	—	50.50	—	—	—	—	2.00		NRBS - 45	24.00	26.00	—	—	1.00
NRBS - 48	—	—	34.50	36.00	32.25	33.50	9.00		NRBS - 42	21.00	23.00	—	—	1.00
NRBS - 42	—	38.00	—	—	—	—	1.00							
NRBS - 36	—	—	—	—	—	—	5.00							

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NUMBER OF CASES OF EGGS SHIPPED TO CALIFORNIA 06/11/00 - 06/17/00

Origin State	AR	CO	IA	MN	MO	NH	OH	OR	TX	UT	TOTAL
N. CA	0	0	5,622	0	0	0	0	3,550	0	0	9,172
C. CA	0	0	5,774	2,476	0	1,340	0	0	0	0	9,590
S. CA	1,600	2,443	12,487	4,060	1,368	0	1,800	0	1,710	2,510	27,978
TTL STATE	1,600	2,443	23,883	6,536	1,368	1,340	1,800	3,550	1,710	2,510	46,740

SHIPPED TO MILITARY: 0

NEW ENGLAND

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, BROWN EGGS LOOSE, AT FARM, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	117-120
EXTRA LARGE	79-82
LARGE	70-73
MEDIUM	43-46
SMALL	18-21

DETROIT EGGS

PRICES TO FIRST RECEIVERS, CASES INCLUDED, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, 30 DOZEN CASES, WHITE EGGS LOOSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	59-62
EXTRA LARGE	50-56
LARGE	48-53
MEDIUM	31-36
SMALL	25-29

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
LARGE	34-36
MEDIUM	19-21
SMALL	15-17

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS

PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	MOSTLY
LARGE	72.27
MEDIUM	58.12
SMALL	45.61

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)

ON HAND	<u>06/19/00</u>	<u>06/12/00</u>	<u>06/21/99</u>
PACIFIC COAST	247	386	85
LOS ANGELES	168	298	58

HONOLULU, OAHU-WHITE SHELL EGGS

PRICES DELIVERED

TO RETAILERS, GRADE A STORE DOOR JUNE 20, 2000:

	CARTONS	WTD AVG
EX-LARGE	149-155	153.36
LARGE	143-150	148.14
MEDIUM	124-135	132.10
SMALL	105-109	106.04

Receipts from the mainland: 06/11/00-06/17/00
30-dozen cases 1,954

Receipts from the mainland: 06/4/00-06/10/00
30-dozen cases 3,780

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